

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES 009765-058 754216U **DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)** m. see 37 CFR 1.5 **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PCT/CH2004/000008 13 January 2004 (13.01.2004) 14 January 2003 (14.01.2003) TITLE OF INVENTION TENSIONING ELEMENT, ESPECIALLY LASHING STRAPS, OCTOPUS STRAPS AND RECEIVING NETS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US HESS, Ruedi Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: 1. X This is a FIRST submission to items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (22) indicated below. The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31). 5. X A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. X is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. X An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. X is attached hereto. b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a.

are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. In have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. 🗵 have not been made and will not be made. 8. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. X An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10.
An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 21 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. X A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. A substitute specification. 16. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825. 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. X Other items or information: General Authorization For Petitions For Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees; and Application Data Sheet

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In re P	Patent Application of		
Ruedi	HESS)	Group Art Unit:	
Applic	ation No.:	Examiner:	
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For:	TENSIONING ELEMENT, ESPECIALLY LASHING STRAPS, OCTOPUS STRAPS AND RECEIVING NETS		

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION FOR PETITIONS FOR EXTENSIONS OF TIME AND PAYMENT OF FEES

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3), the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby provided with a general authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time for its timely submission as containing a request therefor for the appropriate length of time.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERIFICATION OF TRANSLATION

I, Joe Crabbs, a translator with Chillson Translating Service, 3530 Chas Drive,

Hampstead, Maryland, 21074, hereby declare as follows:

That I am familiar with the German and English languages;

That I am capable of translating from German to English;

That the translation attached hereto is a true and accurate translation of German Application PCT/CH2003/000008 filed January 13, 2004 titled, "Tensioning element, especially lashing straps, octopus straps and receiving nets;"

That all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true;

And further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any registration resulting therefrom.

By Joseph Crabbs

Executed this 30 day of June 2005.

Witness Anne Allan